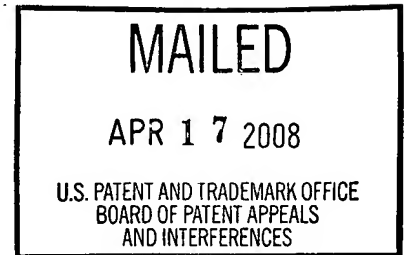


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**BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS
AND INTERFERENCES**

Ex parte TESSEI SHIMIZU

Application No. 10/698,394



ORDER RETURNING UNDOCKETED APPEAL TO EXAMINER

This application was electronically received at the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences on October 27, 2005. A review of the application has revealed that the application is not ready for docketing as an appeal. Accordingly, the application is herewith being returned to the examiner. The matters requiring attention prior to docketing are identified below.

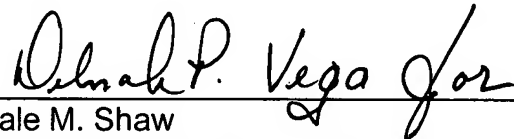
The Information Disclosure Statement dated October 9, 2007, needs to be considered and acknowledged by the Examiner with respect to compliance with the criteria set forth in 37 CFR §§ 1.97 and 1.98. A written communication notifying appellants of the Primary Examiner's consideration is required.

Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the instant application be electronically returned to the examiner to:

- (1) consider and acknowledge the Information Disclosure Statement filed October 9, 2007; and
- (2) for such further action as may be appropriate.

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